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## ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A text categorizer classifies a text object into one or more classes. The text categorizer includes a pre-processing module, a knowledge base, and an approximate reasoning module. The pre-processing module performs feature  
5 extraction, feature reduction, and fuzzy set generation to represent an unlabelled text object in terms of one or more fuzzy sets. The approximate reasoning module uses a measured degree of match between the one or more fuzzy set and categories represented by fuzzy rules in the knowledge base to assign labels of those categories that satisfy a selected decision  
10 making rule.